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Social Security was established under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, a distant cousin of mine. It's just like Obama Care...a tax. The funds set aside for it have been manipulated by many politicians, both parties, over the years. Social Security is taken from us and placed in trust with the government. It doesn't earn any interest, nor does it accrue any additional worth over the years...If you die, the government no longer pays out the benefit...Many elderly survive on this money. It's considered income on our tax returns. If politicians wanted to really help the elderly and especially the people who have had to retire early and/or because of health issues, they should make S.S. payments tax free....Why tax a tax again on earnings that we are compelled to give to the government...What scares me the most is the potential of mismanagement of these funds by politicians and the fact that the average citizen never gets a return on this money. I can only imagine what my social security would be worth if I had the opportunity to invest that money in businesses rather than let it languish in the coffers of the government...I am for eliminating the cap on how much money someone earns before they don't have to pay S.S...It's disproportionately unfair to the middle class when someone earning millions and billions of dollars is capped at what they have to put into contributing to S.S. at 118,500.00 That should be fixed